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DATE: 26 JULY 1974

SUBJECT: LAOS--SITUATION AT BOUAM LONG

IT NOW APPEARS THAT NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY TROOPS DID NOT OCCUPY THE AIRFIELD AT THE FORMER IRREGULAR BASE AT BOUAM LONG IN NORTH LASO ON JULY 25.

COMMUNIST TROOPS WERE A SHORT DISTANCE FROM THE AIRFIELD, BUT WITHDREW AT THE END OF THE DAY WITHOUT TRYING TO TAKE THE AIRFIELD. THE LAO ARMY GENERAL STAFF REPORTEDLY HAS ORDERED THE LOCAL COMMANDER TO RESIST THE NORTH VIETNAMESE IF THEY DO ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE THE FORMER BASE AT BOUAM LONG.

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